

Survey Says Students Oppose Parochial

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — The nation's youth leaders are strongly opposed to parochial, according to a new survey of the 105,000 high school juniors and seniors listed in the 1971-72 Who's Who Among American High School Students. The students, selected by school principals and clergymen for their "demonstrated leadership" in academics and community service, oppose public subsidies for parochial and private schools by a margin of 57% to 38%.

This level of opposition is roughly the same as that of adults, as registered in opinion polls and referendum elections. Tax aid for parochial and private schools was defeated on November 7, 1972 in referendum elections in Maryland, Oregon, and Idaho, and 1970 in referendum elections in Michigan and Nebraska by 57% to 43%.

Opinion polls have shown similar opposition to tax aid for parochial and private schools: Gallup - Catholic Digest (1969), 50% - 38%; A Study of the American Independent School (1969), 59% - 37%; Americans United Surveys (Maryland, Ohio, Illinois, 1970 - 71), 61% - 37%; Wisconsin Congressman William A. Steiger (1972), 62% - 38%.

On another controversial issue with church-state overtones, the students came out in favor of legalization of abortion by a margin of 60% to 36%.

Of the students polled, 31% were Roman Catholic, although Catholics make up less than 25% of the U. S. population. Further, 20% of the students polled were from private or parochial schools, although only 10% of the nation's students attend such schools.

Home Board Begins High School Evangelism Effort

ATLANTA (BP) — Five recent college graduates have committed themselves to a three-year pilot program of high school evangelism called "Reach Out."

Developed by Barry St. Clair of the youth evangelism office at the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here, "Reach Out" will seek to train volunteer leadership to work through local churches to minister to high school students through a three-fold outreach.

The approach features: (1) a "touch" ministry designed to establish contact with the school's students, teachers and administration; (2) a family disciplining ministry where small groups work together to reach Christian maturity; and (3) "Joy explosion," which will consist of youth revivals, crusades and mission action projects.

The first group of "Reach Out" staffers consists of Rod Minor of Birmingham, Ala., Tom Alford of Gadsden, Ala., both graduates of Samford University; Linda Harrington of Fort Pierce, Fla., a graduate of Florida Atlantic University; and Vicki Walker from Carrollton, Ga., a graduate of West Georgia College.

These four will work at First Baptist Church in Newman, Ga., with youth director Ronney Davis.

Tom Lowry of Atlanta, a graduate of the University of Georgia, will work at Greenstreet Baptist Church in High Point, N. C., with youth director Jarrell Rial.

While St. Clair serves as advisor, supervisor and policy maker, the youth directors will cooperate unofficially as trainers of the "Reach Out" staff which expects to expand to 50 next year.

The first year of the three year program gives training in a church with a successful youth program.

During this year staffers raise their own salary of \$60 per week through sponsors at their home churches and receive \$100 a week from churches that are participating churches. The Home Mission Board reimburses staffers for special expenses and materials.

The second year, "Reach Out" staffers will serve as paid staff members of a church wishing to develop a youth program.

The third year will be spent in that church training other "Reach Out" staffers to carry out a youth evangelism program.

Minor, working in Veronah, Ga., said that he eats lunch in the local high school and makes himself available to talk to students then, before and after school several days each week.

He said that the administration is open to his ministry.

On Tuesday nights at Veronah, Minor leads a Bible study program open to anyone. One night a week is "family disciplining" featuring prayer and fellowship for Christian growth for about 10 kids.

At Veronah First Baptist Church, Minor teaches Sunday School in a department where classes are based on spiritual growth.

His class is for new Christians who learn the basics of Christian faith.

"Kids are tired of playing games—the days are gone where you could pass out the ping pong ball and open

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Brotherhood, HMB Unite For Lay Evangelism

MEMPHIS (BP) — Two Southern Baptist Convention agencies have joined forces to offer churches opportunities for spiritual experiences in lay renewal.

Terms of the arrangement call for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta to emphasize renewal evangelism, including a renewal evangelism weekend, and a continuing spiritual growth process.

Under the plan, the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission based here will specialize in lay witness missions as an initial renewal experience. Mission action projects will serve as the main avenue of response for persons who have been spiritually motivated.

The cooperative arrangement in lay renewal was announced jointly by Arthur Rutledge, executive secretary of the mission board in Atlanta, and Glendon McCullough, executive director of the commission in Memphis.

Details of the cooperative effort

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State Conventions In 'Calmer' Sessions

By Jim Newton
For the Baptist Press

Thirty-two Baptist state conventions weathered their annual fall sessions, not only without any major storms, but with hardly a ripple on their placid surfaces.

It was the calmest fall of state conventions in the memory of most convention-watchers who reported the sessions for Baptist Press, news-service of the Southern Baptist Convention.

There were no great burning issues raging through the majority of the state conventions — no big debates on accepting federal aid for Baptist institutions, no hassles over such controversial matters as infallibility of the Bible or race relations.

In almost all the conventions, there appeared to be an unusual sense of unity, peace, and harmony, according to reports from the states.

Probably the most intense debate came at four conventions over the question of whether to restrict representation at the conventions to only messengers from churches which require baptism of all members by immersion in a Baptist church.

Nine states faced constitution revisions of some sort, or proposals for re-

structure of the state convention staff. Six dealt with the future of state Baptist institutions. Four proposed new pastor-church relations services for churchless pastors and pastor-less churches.

Resolutions adopted by the state conventions sounded like a broken record, replaying the same words and topics in state after state.

Fourteen states adopted resolutions opposing tax aid to parochial or pri-

private schools. Ten states opposed liquor law revisions and seven repudiated gambling. Eight states commended efforts toward ending the war in Vietnam. Six protested proposals to withdraw tax deductions for contributions to churches.

Throughout all the conventions' reports, the spirit of unity and harmony seemed to prevail. Even when controversial issues were involved, the reports indicated a good spirit.

THE CENTURYMEN TO SING ON NBC 1972 RADIO CHRISTMAS SHOW

FORT WORTH (BP) — The National Broadcasting Co. will broadcast a special Christmas program on its radio network Dec. 13, featuring the music of The Centurymen, composed of 100 ministers of music from Southern Baptist churches throughout the nation.

The program, "Voices of Christmas," will be carried on the radio network at 9:36 p. m. (Eastern Time), Dec. 13. It will be carried by about 225 NBC radio affiliates across the country. The Centurymen were organized by the Southern Baptist Radio-Television Commission here, and are directed by Beryl Red of New York City.

"While the Centurymen have made two NBC television network appearances, this is the first time they have sung on the radio network," said Paul M. Stevens, president of the Radio-TV Commission. A highlight of the special holiday music show will be a new arrangement of "Angels We Have Heard On High," and "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah."

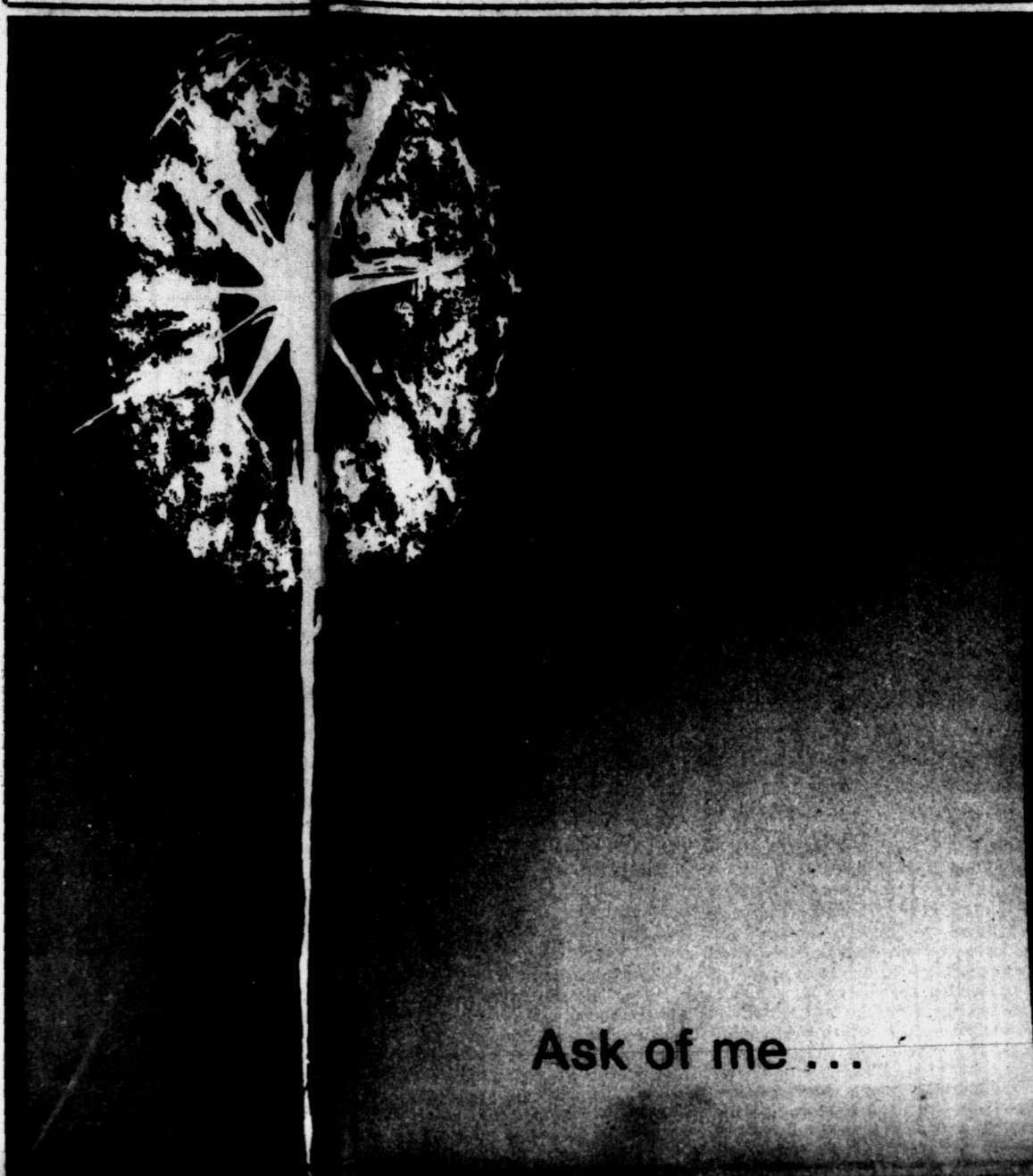
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Ask of me ...

The Scripture Text for the 1972 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions is "Ask of me and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession." (Psa. 2:8 RSV)

The Southern Baptist Convention Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Goal for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, Dec. 3-10, is a total of \$18,000,000, while the Mississippi goal is \$1,000,000.

Southern Baptists Will Give The Biggest Christmas Gift

By Catherine Allen

Thousands of people will work on the gift. By the end of December it will be wrapped up for presentation. The givers will turn the gift over to an agency for final delivery.

The world's most expensive Christmas present is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. Its value should be at least \$18,000,000.

The pattern for the gift will be designed December 3-10, the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions.

The donors are millions of Southern Baptists.

The recipients are 2,526 foreign missionaries and the people in 75 coun-

tries they are trying to reach.

Southern Baptist women gathered the first Christmas offering in 1888 at the suggestion of Lottie Moon, a missionary to China. Since that first highly successful attempt, the offering has come to be the source of almost half the financial support for Southern Baptist foreign missions, and it has become treasured as the Southern Baptist way to celebrate Christmas.

Goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year is \$18,000,000. The offering will provide approximately 46 percent of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board 1973 budget.

For the last two years the offering

goal has been exceeded. Last year's offering overshot the previous year's by 9.9 percent — the largest percentage and dollar increase in the history of the offering. The total was \$17,388,810.

What is the secret of the offering's vitality? "Prayer," says Alma Hunt, executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, the organization which initiates the observance.

"A week of concerted prayer has always accompanied the offering. December 3-10, hundreds of thousands of WMU members will meet daily to pray for specific needs expressed by missionaries. Families will pray together following a special prayer guide their church WMUs will provide," she said.

"We will pray not only for money, but also for additional personnel, and that missionaries will be blessed with creativity, skill, patience, and faith," she continued. Miss Hunt said that the prayer emphasis will be based on Psalm 2:8: "Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession."

Miss Hunt believes that pastors and other church organizations share with WMU the credit for interest in the foreign missions observance.

"The offering continues to grow because more church members are becoming involved in it," she said. "Brotherhood is helping WMU make the Week of Prayer a churchwide project. Sunday School will stress foreign missions December 10. Pastors will focus worship and prayer services on missions," Miss Hunt said.

Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, agreed with Miss Hunt's evaluation of the observance.

He said that prayer and study account for spiritual power of missionaries as well as for the generous offering.

Dr. Cauthen added that churches also get spiritual power from participation in the praying and giving. "The offering strengthens churches at home and enables twice as much to be done in telling the good news to the world," he said.

North Carolina reached a compro-

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Suits Sought For Pastors In Montana

Mississippi Baptist laymen and friends are being given an opportunity for the fifth year to provide the Baptist pastors of Montana with new suits for Christmas, according to T. Cooper Walton, of Jackson, treasurer and a member of the committee in charge of the project.

"Fifty suits are needed this year," Mr. Cooper said, adding that the project is being jointly sponsored by the Pioneer Missions Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Rev. J. W. Brister, Gulfport, chairman and the Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference, of which J. T. Gilbert of Jackson is president.

The Conference is related to the Convention through the Brotherhood Department, Rev. E. L. Howell, director.

Members of the Suit Committee of Pioneer Missions Committee are Rev. Brooks Lindsey, Hattiesburg, chairman; Dr. James Gooch, Columbus, and Mr. Walton.

Each suit will be a new one and will cost \$75.00, Mr. Walton said. He added that those wishing to give one or more suits or funds toward a suit should make out their checks or money orders to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205, and mark "Suits for Montana Pastors."

Mr. Walton said that the suits are

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"New Dimensions" Sought For 1974 Youth Conference

WASHINGTON, D. C. — "A congress of significance and a new dimension in world meetings" is John L. Carroll's forecast for the 8th Baptist Youth World Conference, scheduled for Portland, Ore., USA, in 1974.

Theo Patnaik, youth secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, said that the Youth Administrative Committee has named Carroll as chairman of a special committee for planning of the basic program format. Carroll, of Valley Forge, Pa., USA, is director of the American Baptist Convention's ministry with youth.

Carroll's work began following a meeting of youth leaders during sessions of the Baptist World Alliance executive committee in Kingston, Jamaica in July. That meeting, attended by youth representatives from 14 member conventions in 10 countries, reviewed prior youth conferences and sought to determine ways of best meeting needs of the present day.

The conference theme will be "Christ—Our Challenge to Live."

Patnaik said that 6,000 young people from 60 countries are expected for the Portland conferences, July 31-August 4, 1974. An effort to give them the greatest possible exposure to each other's ideas and Christian experiences, will probably mean a continuing

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L. H. Cooke, Retired SBC Brotherhood Leader, Dies At 87

MEMPHIS (BP)—Lawson H. Cooke, retired executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission here for 15 years, died Nov. 20 after a three-month illness. He was 87.

Cooke was executive secretary of the nation-wide organization of Baptist laymen from 1936-51. A former banker from Richmond, Cooke was the first general secretary of the Virginia state Chamber of Commerce.

Glendon McCullough, current executive director of the Brotherhood Commission, described him as a man who was "small in stature but took giant steps."

Funeral services were held Nov. 22 at First Baptist Church, Memphis. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Thomas B. Bussey of Fort Worth; a brother, Charles Porter Cooke of Richmond; and two grandsons.

Anis Shorosh Reports On Trip To India

Anis Shorosh, Arab Christian from Jordan, who now lives in Mobile, Alabama, but who went to school at both Clarke College and Mississippi College, and who is widely known in Mississippi, has just returned from India, where he participated in a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the beginning of Baptist work in the area of that nation called Nagaland.

Shorosh was one of twenty "foreigners" from outside India, who were given permission to attend and participate in the centennial. In the following story, Mr. Shorosh tells of the experience:

The fantastic opportunity in Nagaland, India which is in the northeastern part of India, bordering on China and Bangladesh, cannot be described adequately in words. Few outsiders have ever seen Nagaland without getting a special permit to go through Assam, its neighboring state. One must also have a Central Government permit. Due to the Baptist Centenary, twenty "foreigners" (that's what they called everyone outside of there) were allowed into Nagaland. The gigantic bamboo Tabernacle seated 33,000 people. The registered attendance of the five day ceremony was 51,000 people. The total attendance in all services was near 200,000. The singing of the 1,000 voice choir in every service, was most inspiring. They sang 13 songs from memory in English and their language, because 50% of them were illiterate. (That's why they had to learn them by heart). The reverence inside the gigantic tabernacle was unbelievable in spite of the three to four - hour long service. You can hardly believe that you were in India, seeing and hearing what you have seen and heard. Every town and village has a beautiful church building. Work by missionaries, Baptist missionaries, began in 1872 and they had to leave in 1956. Yet Baptists in Nagaland have grown phenomenally until 35% of the population claims Christianity now. Some came in their own native dress

Men's Conference To Sponsor Bible Land And Mission Tour

Dr. John L. Taylor, pastor, First Church, McComb, will conduct a Bible Study and Mission Emphasis Seminar for those participating on the Holy Land Bible Tour being promoted by the Baptist Men's Conference of Mississippi.

The work and ministry of the Baptist Men's Conference is coordinated by the Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Rev. E. L. Howell is director of the Brotherhood Department. The tour is opened to a church's staff, laymen, women, and youth and will carry them through five countries, Cyprus, Israel, Lebanon, Syria, and Turkey.

Through the initiative of Dr. Taylor in working with the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist missionaries in and near the area to be toured will feed into the group learning experiences.

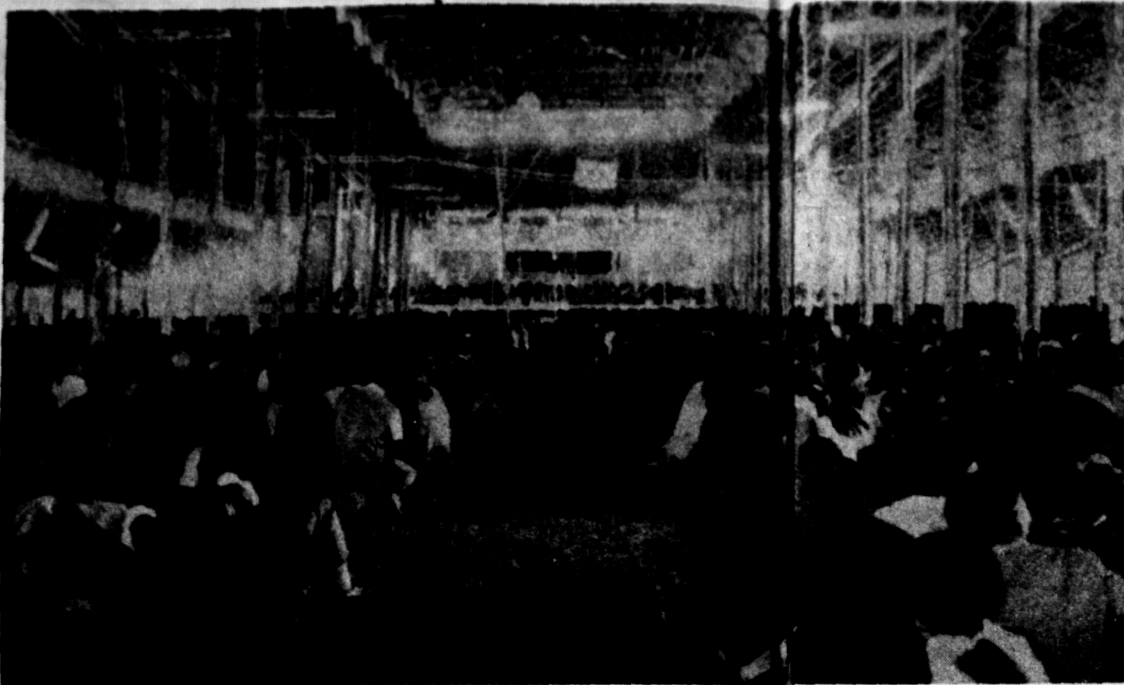
The tour is scheduled to leave Jackson's Thompson Field on Wednesday, February 7, 1973, and return to Jackson, Friday, February 16, 1973. The group will travel by jet to Cyprus where they will board a cruise ship which becomes a floating motel. Traveling in the daytime will be done by motorcade under the direction of trained guides. After boarding the ship each night while passengers participate in the seminar and sleep, the ship will sail to the next port.

The total cost for such an exciting adventure in Bible Study and missions is \$821. This includes everything. Any additional monies would only be necessary for souvenirs.

Reservations are still available for the tour. Those desiring to register or seek additional information may do so by contacting J. T. Gilbert, President, Baptist Men's Conference, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205.

Dr. and Mrs. Taylor will depart from the Bible Land on December 25 in order to do extensive preparation in Biblical research. They will then accompany the group on February 7 where basic study will be conducted each night.

J. T. Gilbert, President, Baptist Men's Conference, and John T. Gilbert, pastor, Westview Baptist Church, Jackson, both participated in a similar tour last year and will be returning to give promotional direction to the February 7 tour.



The Baptist Centennial Celebration in Nagaland was held November 8-12 in a tabernacle which seats 33,000



Anis Shorosh, left, preaches in India, in an evangelical crusade in Nagpur. The man on the right is interpreting from English to Hindu.



Exterior view of the tabernacle in Nagaland where the Baptist Centennial Celebration was held.

Suits Sought For Montana

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badly needed and urged a generous response to this appeal.

He said that our pastors in Montana all operate on an extremely limited budget and these new suits provide an assurance, confidence and freedom in the pulpit that would not otherwise be possible.

A total of 289 suits have been provided the Montana pastors, the past four years.

The Montana Fellowship is a part of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, composed also of Wyoming, North and South Dakota, the area "adopted" by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board several years ago as its field of "over-and-above" pioneer mission work.

The Pioneer Missions Committee has adopted Montana as the state where it will conduct its mission ministry.



Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Executive Secretary Treasurer, (left) is seen personally giving the first check for a suit for the suit fund for Montana pastors to T. Cooper Walton, Jackson, treasurer and member of the Suit Committee of the Pioneer Missions Committee of the Convention. Looking on is Horace Kerr, Jackson, secretary of the Pioneer Missions Committee.

Ed Willingham, SBC, ABC Leader, Dies

NEW YORK (BP) — Edward B. Willingham, a prominent Baptist leader in both the Southern and American Baptist Conventions, died at St. Luke's Hospital here Nov. 16.

Willingham, the son of the late R.

J. Willingham who for 20 years was head of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, had served as general secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Missions Society from 1956-65.

Previously, he was pastor of National Memorial Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.

Northern Plains Opposes Tax Exemption Withdrawal

CASPER, Wyo. (BP) — The Northern Plains Baptist Convention, in a harmonious session here, adopted a resolution opposing any effort by Congress to take away tax exemptions for gifts to charitable institutions or church parsonages, or church-owned property used for the propagation of the gospel.

The resolution urged Baptists and concerned citizens to conduct a letter-writing campaign in opposition to such proposals. It did not mention by name, but obviously referred to a tax policy review bill proposed by Sen. Mike Mansfield and Sen. Wilbur Mills.

In major business, the convention adopted a budget of \$341,832, with 13 per cent of the state goal allocated to Southern Baptist world mission causes.

Ralph Ehren, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Rapid City, S. D. was re-elected president.

Baptist Journal Asks Letter Drive Against TV 'Nausea'

DALLAS (RNS) — The Baptist Standard, in an editorial here, urged concerned people to start a letter-writing campaign that would protest the flood of "nausea" reportedly appearing on the three television networks.

Citing reports carried by Time and Newsweek magazines, the Southern Baptist publication said it may be time to create an "Award of Nausea" to be shared by the three television networks for "striking down the so-called 'old taboos'."

Time magazine, it said, has reported that "TV has embarked on a new era of candor... programmers will actually be competing with each other to trace the largest number of touchy—and heretofore forbidden—ethnic, sexual, and psychological themes."

"Are Christians to be silent?" The Baptist standard asked. "Address your letter or card to the station in your area. Write another letter or card to the Federal Communication Commission, 1919 M St., Washington, D. C. 20554. Identify the offending program since the networks are not under FCC control."

"And, best of all, write the companies whose advertisers support the programs. Nothing upsets an advertiser more than to know he is creating a public which will ignore his product."

"Skip the church and class resolutions. A half dozen letters scrawled on brown paper will sound the alarm."

The Convention President Speaks

It is my intention and desire to have a column in the Baptist Record from time to time during my term as President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The purpose of such an endeavor is to promote certain projects and-or programs that merit the support of us all, to share opinions about matters where my position might give insight on them, to share observations of things that otherwise you would not have an opportunity to know about, and to seek to interpret actions of this Convention and those delegated to act for it in various capacities.

All of you know I am a pastor. As a result of serving my Lord in this role for approximately thirty years, I have developed two major concerns. One is a deep and abiding love for my fellow preachers. I know of no preacher I do not love. The other is the same kind of love and respect for the laity of the churches where I have served over the years. This love for my own membership is gone far beyond the boundaries of a church where I serve as pastor, to all the nooks and corners of this state and elsewhere.

This feeling toward my fellowman makes me want to do my best to make a good president of this Convention and serve the people of it to the maximum of my ability. I shall pray for you and solicit your prayers on my behalf. Then all of us working together will be able to accomplish great and mighty things for God.—David Grant

Guests At Presidential Breakfast Hear Paul's 'Social Action' Text

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica — At the recent Presidential Christian Fraternal Prayer Breakfast, President Jose Figueres personally greeted each person present, including cabinet members, diplomatic personnel and business people. Guido Picado, a Baptist pastor, was among the guests.

After breakfast, the discussion centered on the topic of social action, and the president speaks of what his government is doing in this field.

As the noon hour approached, no prayer had been given, no scripture read (although "Matthew 23:23" was printed on the program head), nor had the name of God been mentioned at this Christian prayer breakfast.

Picado, who is pastor of the Desamparados Baptist Church and evangel-

ism promoter for the Baptist convention in Costa Rica, stood and introduced himself. "We want you to know, he said, "that we Baptists are vitally interested in social action. We join efforts with you to help in this needy area."

"Would you permit me to read what a great man of years ago thought about social action and our attitudes toward it?" Then Picado opened his Bible and proceeded to read Chapter 13 of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

For several moments there was silence. Then the chairman declared, "Gentlemen, there is nothing more to be said. This challenge climaxes our discussion. We shall close with a word of prayer."

Pastor's Father Dies

Robert G. Dyess, father of Rev. Vance Dyess, who is pastor of Mountain Creek (Rankin) and member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, died Sunday, November 26, at St. Dominic's Hospital, Jackson, after an extended illness. (Mr. Dyess' daughter-in-law, Mrs. Vance Dyess, has been an employee of the Stewardship Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, for over five years.)

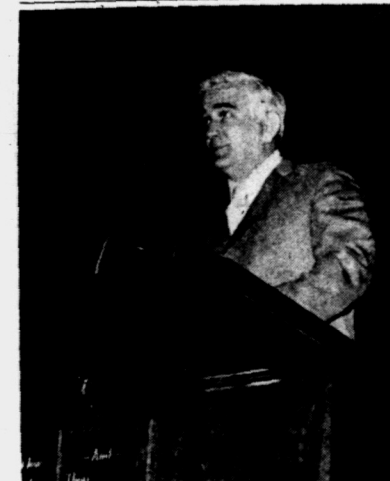
Funeral services were held at Dublin Baptist Church, Prentiss, Tuesday, November 28, at 10 a.m.

1882 Attend Five Music Festivals

Eighteen hundred eighty-two persons attended the series of Youth Choral Festivals held in the state on November 11 and sponsored by the Church Music Department, Dan C. Hall, director.

Fifty-sevens different groups participated, with the number for each Festival as follows:

Tupelo, 8; Leland 2; Crystal Springs, 21; Wiggins 18, and Louisville 8.



Speaks In New Orleans

Dr. Landrum P. Leavell, president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, pastor of First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, and distinguished leader in the Southern Baptist Convention, is shown speaking at New Orleans Seminary, where he received his Th.D. degree in 1954. Dr. Leavell was in New Orleans for the Louisiana Baptist Convention, bringing the concluding message of the three-day session.



Cooperative Program Dollars At Work

During the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, the above plaque was presented to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins and to all Mississippi Baptist churches, in appreciation of their support of missions throughout the world, through the Cooperative Program. The plaque was a gift from the Executive Committee, SBC, and the Stewardship Commission, SBC. It contains money collected by the Foreign Mission Board from many countries, including Ethiopia, Turkey, Japan, Laos, Mexico, Argentina, and Indonesia — representing Cooperative Program dollars at work all around the world.



The director and staff of Reach Out, a new ministry of the Home Mission Board to high school students, enter the board building in Atlanta to plan activities. Left to right are: Rod Minor; Barry St. Clair, director of youth evangelism at the Home Mission Board; Tom Alford; Linda Harrington; Tom Lowry; and Vicki Walker. (HMB photo by Knolan Benfield)

"New Dimensions" Sought For 1974 Youth Conference

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ation and strengthening of the emphasis on small group discussions which was begun at the Toronto conference in 1968. A training session for leaders will be set prior to the conference itself.

Karl-Heinz Walter of Hamburg, Germany, chairman of the Youth Committee, said that registration will be restricted to young people from 16 to 25 years of age, plus older adults who are directly engaged in youth leadership ministries.

Baptist families in the USA are being asked to invite the visiting youth to be their guests before and after the conference.

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were worked out by Reid Hardin, director of renewal evangelism for the Home Mission Board, and James Johnson, director of the lay ministries department of the commission.

The two agencies plan to work together to provide churches with coordinators for lay renewal and in the training of these specialists.

Under the plan, the commission will produce and distribute guidance materials on lay renewal experiences and opportunities to the churches on a regular basis.

In a memorandum on the cooperative effort, the agency leaders defined lay witness mission as a weekend renewal experience where a group of lay persons visit a church to share their faith in small and large group experiences.

Renewal evangelism was described as the process of intensive care given to a church which has had an initial renewal event. Through renewal evangelism, a church participates in an itinerary of activity designed to develop a life-style of evangelism. These activities run at least one year. The agency leaders said their organizations will both respond to church leaders who inquire about renewal and will recommend an approach based upon the need of the inquirer.

The Virginia convention was described as "one of the most tranquil sessions in its 149 year history." Perhaps that same description could apply to almost all of the 32 state Baptist bodies which met from Oct. 21 through Nov. 22.

In "Lottie Moon" Season --

A Prayer For An Overflowing Love

Village after village, town after town,
And no one to tell of God's love!
Multitudes of people, both young and old—
Death coming like hawks on a dove!

Aged people, with one foot in the grave,
Precious young lives going to waste;
Bright-eyed children, born to be lost—
God, send your messengers with haste.

Lord, how can your people indifferent be,
With millions now in living death?
Our door of opportunity will close
When we, or they, draw our last breath.

You have the power you are anxious to give,
You've sent your Spirit from above;
And in our hands we have the Word of Life—
The only thing we lack is love!

Love can make heroes out of cringing cowards;
It makes Samsons out of the weak.
Love will make witnesses out of us all,
And send us out the lost to seek.

Love will make the tithe just a starting point;
And it will make the timid bold.
It will make men good stewards of their time,
And thaw out hearts that are ice-cold.

O Lord, I pray that you'll take this heart of mine,
And fill it with thy love divine.
May it's overflow daily bless mankind,
According to thy love's design!

—Orvil W. Reid,
(Missionary in Mexico since 1938)

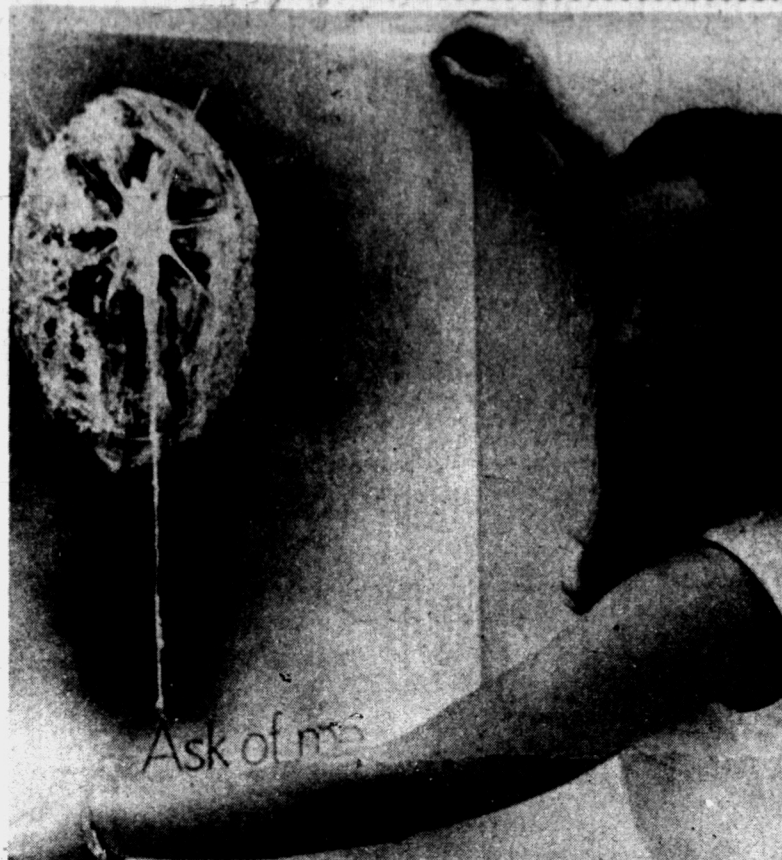
Dear Mr. Odle:

I am enclosing a poem that I wrote recently after having passed dozens of towns and villages in Mexico, many with no Christian testimony.

The thought came to me, as I drove along in my car, what if I had been born and reared in one of these places where there was no Christian witness? What if my parents, and my only two children (now in heaven), had lived there? With these thoughts in mind, I stopped by a lonely country road, in the twilight, overcome with emotion, and wrote the poem. I think that it was the moment when I understood most the compassion of Jesus for the lost multitudes.

If you think that the message in the poem would help some of your readers to feel and express some of Christ's compassion, I will be glad for you to use the poem. As we approach the Lottie Moon World Mission Offering season, we trust that all of us will get a vision of the world's needs.

Your fellow-worker,
Orvil W. Reid
(Thirty-four years missionary to Mexico)
Apartado 446
Tuxtla Gutierrez
Chiapas, Mexico.



A Poster Is Born--

The theme poster for the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions can easily be duplicated by churches who want extra large replicas. Elaine Williamson, artist for Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, made the star design with blue spray paint and rubber cement. The rubber cement is dribbled on paper in the star design. While the cement is drying, the paper is sprayed with blue. Then the dry cement is rubbed off, leaving the white star.

State Baptist Conventions In 'Calmer' Sessions

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mise solution on two proposed constitutional amendments requiring that only churches which practice baptism by immersion or messengers who have been immersed be seated at annual sessions. The two amendments, which threatened to divide the convention, were withdrawn and the convention instead reaffirmed its "belief in" baptism by immersion, but

did not set this as a requirement for membership.

In a similar respect, South Carolina defeated an amendment which would have rejected messengers from churches which accept members who have not been baptized by immersion, later reaffirming the "Statement on Baptist Faith and Message" position on baptism by immersion.

In both cases, the conventions expressed an opinion that immersion is the proper form of baptism, but were willing to set this as a requirement for membership in the constitution.

California and Kansas, however, continued their current constitutional restrictions against so-called "alien immersion," that is, acceptance of church members who have been baptized by immersion by a church of some other denomination.

Kansas rejected by a better than two-to-one margin a complete new constitution which would have eliminated the current restrictions denying membership to churches which practice alien immersion, open communion or have ties with ecumenical organizations. Kansas also defeated a move to define these terms in the current constitution.

The question was left unresolved for the fourth straight year in California, where messengers rejected three proposed constitution amendments designed to clarify the constitutional meaning of "alien immersion." The issue will be carried over until next year's session.

Indiana Baptists also rejected a constitutional amendment which would have deleted a phrase that a church must be a cooperating member in good standing with a district association to send messengers to the state body. There was no reference to the baptism question, except an oblique reference in debate that the local association is in a better position to judge a church's doctrinal stance than the state convention.

A doctrinal question came up briefly at the Ohio convention, but a motion to oppose sale and distribution of the Broadman Bible Commentary published by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board was quickly tabled. Later the convention did reaffirm "our continuing faith in the

ability of the Bible as the Word of God as outlined in the Baptist Faith and Message," but there was no reported connection between the two actions.

New Mexico Baptists also reaffirmed the Baptist Faith and Message Statement, pointing out "the distinctive plank in the Baptist platform"—the capability of every believer to interpret scripture for himself as led by the Holy Spirit.

Mild debate was sparked in Florida and Louisiana over proposals to establish a pastor-church relations service to provide counseling to ministers, and information to churches seeking staff members. Some argued that such a service would interfere with "the leadership of the Holy Spirit."

Both Florida, Louisiana and Kentucky, however, approved the proposals by a strong majority to establish the information and counseling services. The Alabama Executive Board reported its plans to initiate such a program, but no convention action was needed or taken.

Information To Be Supplied

Under such programs, already operative in five other states, biographical information would be supplied, with comment or recommendation, to churches seeking staff personnel on pastors, or other staff members, who authorize the convention to supply such information. Some counseling would be available also to ministers and church staff members who face personal problems from pressures of the ministry.

Unlike several previous years, no state convention in 1972 voted to sever ties with a Baptist school or hospital, permitting them to operate as separate self-supporting institutions.

Tennessee Baptists rejected a proposal to close down Harrison-Chilhowee Baptist Academy in Seymour, Tenn.; Georgia Baptists agreed without debate to the merger of Atlanta Baptist College and Mercer University; North Carolina approved a six-point plan outlining relationships with its hospital in Winston-Salem; and Florida Baptists authorized their Executive Board to deal with a plan to sell its children's home property and create instead two smaller homes for children.

Mississippi Baptists approved a fund campaign to rebuild a state assembly destroyed by Hurricane Camille, and rejected a proposal that would have made the vice president a president-elect to become president the following year. A similar proposal will likely come before the Southern Baptist Convention in its national sessions next June.

Restructure studies or proposals were authorized or approved in the Michigan, Illinois, Louisiana, and Northwest conventions, but none were considered as drastic as several reorganization programs approved several years ago by numerous other conventions.

About six state conventions voted to increase the percentage of their allocations going to world missions through the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program.

West Virginia, Northwest, and Illinois conventions jumped the percentage by one per cent; while Colorado and Michigan increased it one-half of one per cent. Kentucky Baptists amended their budget to provide almost one-third of any surplus received to SBC causes, rather than all overages going to capital needs as first recommended.

It was also the year of the woman vice president. Three conventions, Ala-

bama, Virginia, and Florida, elected women as vice presidents. For the first time, a woman presided over the District of Columbia Convention as president this year.

Indiana Baptists however, defeated a motion to withhold any financial aid to the New York convention because an association in the state had accepted a church with a woman pastor as a member church. Georgia, likewise, declined to adopt a resolution opposing ordination of women as deacons or pastors, reaffirming that "such matters must be left to the local church."

Resolutions in 14 states upheld separation of church and state, and opposed any tax funds going to parochial schools. The so-called "T & P" Policy Review Act of 1972, proposed by Rep. Wilbur Mills and Sen. Mike Mansfield, which would end tax exemptions and deductions for gifts to churches.

As usual, there were the annual resolutions against pornography, liquor by the drink, gambling and drug abuse. Three states opposed X-rated or morally offensive movies stressing sex and violence on television.

At least eight states commended recent peace efforts to end the war in Vietnam, several praising President Nixon. But the president was also criticized by several other states for supporting tax credits and other forms of federal aid for parochial schools.

Three states, Illinois, Arkansas and Michigan, opposed abortion on demand or liberalization of state abortion laws. In Virginia, the hottest debate came on a recommendation statement favoring amnesty for conscientious objectors to war. The proposal was soundly defeated.

The Virginia convention was described as "one of the most tranquil sessions in its 149 year history." Perhaps that same description could apply to almost all of the 32 state Baptist bodies which met from Oct. 21 through Nov. 22.

Superintendents Of Missions Conduct Organization Meet

The associational superintendents of missions in the state met recently at the Hinds-Madison Associational office in Jackson and held an organizational meeting, with the officers listed in accompanying photo and cutlines.

The group adopted a constitution and by-laws and also a resolution which gives its purpose and relationship to the denomination. The resolution is as follows:

Whereas: The leadership from our Baptist Building has demonstrated a sincere interest in the ministry of the associations.

Whereas: Through the past year there has been a special concern for relating State Convention resources to the particular and peculiar needs of each association.

Whereas: The Convention Board leadership has been very responsive to the requests of associational officers for personal assistance,

Be It Resolved: That we, the Mississippi Conference of Superintendents of Missions, express publicly through the Baptist Record our sincere gratitude to the leadership and workers of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and

Be It Further Resolved: That we acknowledge that any successes and progress enjoyed by the associations this year in ministry are in many respects due to the cooperative involvement of State Convention personnel in our local programs.



Officers elected by the associational superintendent of missions are, from left: Rev. J. C. Renfro, (Rankin), song leader; Rev. Maurice Flowers, (Jones), secretary-treasurer; Rev. Glen Williams, (Covington-Jeff Davis), president; Leon Young, (Lauderdale), vice-president. Not shown is Rev. J. W. Brister, (Gulf Coast), pianist.

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The Baptist Record exhibit: Paul Nunnery, superintendent of Children's Village, is looking over a current issue of the paper.



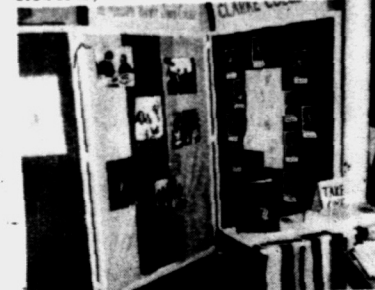
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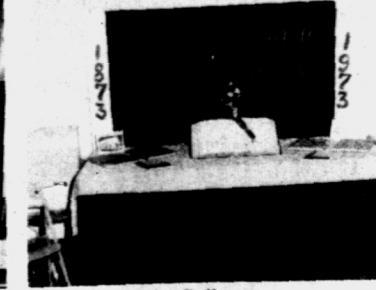
Rev. George Lee of Columbia is pictured in front of the exhibit of the Department of Work with National Baptists.



Three conventioners look over new books in the Baptist Book Store Exhibit. From left: Dr. J. S. Riser, Jackson; Rev. W. L. Day, Indianola, and W. R. Roberts, Jackson.



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At the Home Mission Board exhibit are Rev. Tommy Hudson, pastor, Oak Forest, Jackson, and Dr. Foy Rogers, director, Department of Cooperative Missions, MCB.



Rev. W. C. Burns, Jr. of Ellisville looks at the Evangelism exhibit.



At the Foreign Mission Board exhibit are Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, president of the Foreign Mission Board; Dr. Drew Gunnells of Montgomery, former president, FMB; Rev. Stanley Stamps, missionary to Ecuador; and Dr. John Lee Taylor, McComb, Mississippi member, Foreign Mission Board.

Agency Trustees Named

The report of the Committee on Nominations was adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention. The committee included Earl Kelly, chairman, P. A. Michel, Bill Causey, Allen Stephens, and Clyde Little.

The report follows, with new members listed in bold type.

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Committee On Committees

The report of the Committee on Committees was adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 14. Chairman of the committee was L. Gordon Sansing. Serving with him were:

O. B. Beverly, M. F. Rayburn, Granville Watson, and J. B. Young.

New committees were elected as follows:

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The meeting, scheduled to be held from 9:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., will be followed by a Dutch treat luncheon (\$1.50 each) in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

This is another in a series of meetings that have become a tradition in the state and are primarily designed to bring laymen of the two conventions together for a period of fellowship, inspiration and information.

Dick Brogan, director, Department of Work with National Baptists, Miss. Baptist Convention Board, will preside at the conference. Rev. Garland Shipp will lead the Bible study. Participants in a panel discussion on "A Christian's Responsibility in Housing, Poverty, Home Relationships, and Relating to Youth," will be led by Benny Gooden, Mrs. Nancy Gilbert, Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Calvin Kelly, and Ronnie Lamar Herd. Dr. T. B. Brown, president of Mississippi Baptist Seminary, will speak on "W. I. N."

Owen Cooper, SBC president, will bring an address on "Laymen Work-

ing Around the World," and Dr. Emmanuel McCall will deliver the closing address on "Black and White Together."

Baptist laymen, as well as their wives, are invited to attend.

Rev. S. S. Kelly Accepts Position In Alpha House For Boys

Rev. S. S. Kelly has resigned the pastorate of Sardis Church in Copiah County, to accept a new position. He and Mrs. Kelly are now houseparents at the Alpha House for Boys in Tupelo, and have been living in Tupelo for about two months.

The Alpha House, a fairly new venture, is for boys, ages 10 through 17, who are borderline delinquents—those who have not committed major crimes, but who have run away from home, or who tend to get into some kind of trouble often. The boys are often children of broken homes or of alcoholic parents. Some are school drop-outs, or are behind their age group in school.

At present, the home is taking care of seven boys, and has room for fifteen.

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Mr. Kelly, a native of Pontotoc County, has for forty years served as a pastor of Baptist churches in Mississippi.

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Names In The News

Douglas Folk, pictured, is now minister of music at Eastside Church, Magee, where Rev. L. C. Newell, Jr. is pastor.



Mr. Folk, a 27-year-old bachelor, is a native of Prentiss. He is a student in the School of Church Music at Mississippi College. At East-

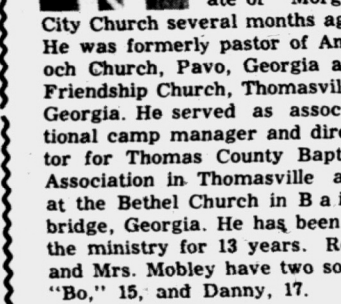
side he has begun choir programs for children and has upgraded the youth and adult choir programs. He grew up in the Prentiss Church.



Mrs. Ruble Cothran, right, on Nov. 5 at Morgan City Church

was recognized and presented a gift for her outstanding service and faithfulness in being church clerk for 8 yrs. Rev. Daniel Mobley, pastor, left, made the presentation.

Rev. Daniel Mobley accepted the pastorate of Morgan City Church several months ago. He was formerly pastor of Antioch Church, Pavo, Georgia and Friendship Church, Thomasville, Georgia. He served as association camp manager and director for Thomas County Baptist Association in Thomasville and at the Bethel Church in Bainbridge, Georgia. He has been in the ministry for 13 years. Rev. and Mrs. Mobley have two sons, "Bo," 15, and Danny, 17.



Dr. and Mrs. L. Byron Harbin, missionaries, may now be "adventured" at Chula, 20000, "Agencia Iguatemi," 01000 Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil. He was born in Tuscaloosa County, Ala. Mrs. Harbin, the former Dora Dunkley, is a Mississippian.

Michelle Rogers, a senior at Mississippi College, and B.S.U. summer missionary to Israel will speak at Dixie Church, Hattiesburg, December 6 at 7 p.m., during the week of prayer Emphasis. Michelle and her family, the Paul R. Rogers of Salem Community, Collins, were active members of Dixie Church from 1958-1968. The Payton Myers, missionaries to Nigeria, will be guest speakers at both church services Sunday, December 10 at Dixie Church, Rev. Marcus Smith, pastor.



Lovisa Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Price of Clinton, a Mississippi College sophomore, is the first recipient of the Magie Belle Veazey Brian Scholarship Fund which was established earlier this year. Here she is pictured with Dr. Charles W. Scott, dean of students, as he explains the terms of the scholarship. (M. C. Photo by Bill Strang)

Jimmie Gibbs Irvin, of Cleveland, has been nominated to appear in the 1972 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America. A native of Greenwood Springs, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Irvin and employed by Travenol Laboratories as an administrative chemist. He received the B. S. degree from William Carey and was certified as a medical technologist that same year. He is an ordained Baptist minister, having held several pastorates in Alabama and Mississippi and is currently serving within Bolivar and Sunflower Associations as supply pastor. He was pastor of Parkview, Leland for two years, and has served the following as interim: Philipston, Greenwood; First, Shelby; Linn, Doddsville; First, Rosedale; and Interstate, Shaw, (currently). Jim and his wife, Sandra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irby Tanner of Mobile, Ala., have one child, two-year-old Christopher Gibbs Irvin.



Rev. and Mrs. James L. Terpo have been given a tour of the Holy Land and other Bible Lands by Calvary Church, Greenwood. The tour comes at the end of more than four years for this pastor and his ministry at Calvary. On December 15, he begins a new work with the Canaan Church, Bessemer, Alabama. Calvary has experienced noted growth under his leadership. Total giving has increased by forty-seven percent; there have been a total of 175 baptisms; a bus ministry has been added; and a Children's Church has been used effectively since October 1. This couple has two sons, Darrell 15, who recently received a 10-year perfect attendance pin, and Duane, a ten-year-old.

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Cooper Speaks At Copiah "M" Night

"M" Night in Copiah Association was held Monday night, Nov. 27, at First Church, Hazlehurst.

Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and vice president of the Baptist World Alliance, was featured speaker, on the "M" Night theme, "Train to Share His Word."

"Train to Share His Word," a fifteen minute dramatic presentation was the feature of this year's "M"

Night program. It was directed by Mrs. Diana Banes and Mrs. Sue Holliday; lead roles were played by the young people of Shady Grove Church, Hazlehurst.

Music for "M" Night was directed by Rev. Donald Brown, minister of music at First Church, Hazlehurst. Special music was presented by the associational youth choir. Music also included singing by Mrs. Jan Nix, Director of the Department of Music at the Baptist Children's Village.

Charles Rogers is director of church training for Copiah Association.

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When Temptation Strikes, How Can One Overcome It?

Gen. 39:1-20

By Bill Duncan

When does temptation become a sin? Where is the line that separates the deed from the desire?

A four-year-old girl whom we shall call Betty is riding her tricycle in the backyard, when out of the corner of her eye she sees her mother come outside with a wastebasket. Betty watches as her mother empties the basket, strikes a match to the papers, and returns inside.

At first, Betty pays only casual attention. But in a matter of minutes, she leaves her tricycle to stand by the fire. Then she wonders what might happen if she adds leaves and twigs and trash to the fire.

Soon she is scampering around the yard picking up anything that will burn. The flames leap higher.

Next, Betty imagines what might happen if she poked the fire, which she immediately proceeds to do. My, how the sparks fly, higher and higher!

She is caught up in a frenzy of making the bonfire bigger and bigger. Suddenly, a spark ignites her dress and she runs screaming toward her mother, a burning torch. Fortunately, Betty's mother throws her to the ground and wraps her in a rug, squelching the flames and saving her life.

For the sake of speculation, when did Betty's dress catch on fire? Had you stood there with a stopwatch, you could have determined the fraction of a second. But potentially, her dress was on fire when she left her tricycle and started toward the fire.

Temptation evolves into sin when desire is translated into action, when we move toward the object of our desire, waiting only for the proper moment.

The example of Joseph's purity can be shown to all people concerning moral conduct. At the moment when everything was going his way, temptation presented to him an attractive lurement. Many of our young people are faced with the same situation. Some would say that they were trapped by circumstances, but they all must make the decisions themselves.

The answer of Joseph as to why he did not yield to the temptation was, "How can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" Too few see an act of immorality as against God. They may think of other humans, like family, but too few think of God. All sin is first against God and then against other persons.

Have you heard of the Teen - age Modesty Crusade? This crusade was started by a group of high school girls in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1948. Catholic-sponsored "modesty crusades" chapters operate today in every U. S. state. The late Cardinal Meyer of Chicago has supported the crusade enthusiastically. He called the crusaders "teenagers who are unwilling to sit idly by while the evil spirit of immorality goes about brazenly seeking whom it may devour." We need more positive approaches to life to give our people strength to live effective lives.

Dr. Florence Clothier of Vassar College, who is a physician, spoke to the American Othopsychiatric Association, and said that sexual impurity threatens the destruction of the family. "Sex is presented to children as

glamour, passion, or sentimental romance, not as part of a warm and fulfilling love relationship to be respected, gently nurtured and developed," she said.

We have taught teens that a girl must be beautiful, glamorous, mysterious, sophisticated, and compliant... and that a boy must be devil - may-care who drinks and is very potent and masculine. Perhaps, as a reaction to this artificial mass - media stereotype, youth in its confusion has developed an almost morbid search for identity. In a sex - saturated society, youth finds itself starved for society.

One may say that Biblical morality may be outdated but it did provide controls which allowed young people more time to grow up and prepare themselves for adult life and experiences. In the life of a Christian one may have more fun and happiness because of the end results of a normal Christian life. Too many learn too late that it pays to live according to Christian teaching.

Joseph is one of the few examples of successful young men who were able to overcome temptation. He must have been a successful person

in business. Everything that Potiphar had was turned over to him. People like Potiphar who looked at Joseph saw that "God was with him." Prosperity was the way of life for Joseph. This is a greater temptation than want any time. But prosperity is perilous. It breeds greed and self - importance.

How did Joseph overcome temptation? He ran from it. Many people think they can overcome temptation in their own strength, so they attempt to fight it. Is it wrong to run from a situation? Only if the tempter is stronger than you are.

Why did Joseph suffer if he did right? It was not his fault that a lie was told. The devil thought that this would destroy God's useful servant. It may also have been a way for God to put Joseph into the king's palace. God might have known who would be his friend in the end. Joseph did not feel that he was forsaken. The Lord was with him.

What should you do when you are tempted? Jesus taught us to claim God's word and promise as guide during temptation. As long as we follow the example of the Lord, we will overcome the world.



Sears Grant To Carey

Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, left, president of William Carey College, poses above as he accepts a check for \$2,000 from W. F. Jordan, on behalf of the Sears, Roebuck Foundation. Jordan is manager of the Hattiesburg Sears store.

S. 28th Avenue Calls Pastor

Rev. Jim Nunnelee will assume duties as pastor of South 28th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg November 26.

Nunnelee has been pastor of Center Ridge (Yazoo) since 1968. His other pastorates have included: Endville, (Pontotoc); Wallerville (Union County) and Bellevue (Lamar).

He has served as a member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board during 1972, as moderator of the Yazoo Association in 1969 and 1970, as president and program chairman of the associational pastor's conference, and as associational director of Sunday School, Training Union and Vacation Bible School.

A native of Pontotoc County, he is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary.

He is married to the former Edith Leah Taylor of Grenada. They are the parents of three sons.

Mrs. Nunnelee is also active in church - related service, having served in associational work, as minister of youth, music and education at several churches, and as an instructor in sign language classes. She has taught in the public schools of New Orleans and Yazoo City.

Revival Dates

Unit, Pascagoula: December 3 & 8; services nightly at 7; Rex Yancey, evangelist; Harold Watkins, music director; Rev. Curtis I. Miller, pastor.

Studies From Jeremiah And His Times

By Clifton J. Allen

2 Chronicles 36; Jeremiah 1; 26
This lesson is the first in a course of study on "Prophecy of Judgment and Hope." We are to have selected studies from Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Zachariah, and Haggai.

The first six lessons are from Jeremiah. His prophetic ministry, beginning in 626 B. C. and continuing until after 586 B. C., was in the midst of national crises affecting not only Judah but also Assyria, Babylon, and Egypt. The mission of Jeremiah was to declare God's message to a faithless nation which had broken its covenant relationship with God and which was facing certain destruction and captivity.

Along with the message of judgment, he proclaimed the hope through the sovereign purpose of God for his people and the new covenant of grace and forgiveness in the hearts of men.

The Lesson Explained CRISIS IN ISRAEL

The opening verses of Jeremiah identify him as a priest of Anathoth, a small village a few miles from Jerusalem. His prophetic career began with the thirteenth year in the reign of Josiah and continued until the Babylonian captivity. In 621 B. C. when the Book of the Law was found in connection with cleaning up and repairing the Temple, Josiah instituted sweeping reforms trying to rid the land of idolatry, establish justice, and revise the worship of the true God. Josiah was killed in a battle with the Egyptians and Megiddo in 609 B. C. Soon Nebuchadnezzar defeated the Egyptians at Carchemish (605 B. C.), and thereafter Judah was a vassal of Babylon. Jeremiah encouraged submission to Babylon, knowing that God had chosen Babylon as the agent of his judgment upon Judah, and knowing that resistance would bring greater calamity and suffering. But in spite of constant hazard to his life, Jeremiah endured through his confidence in the Lord.

CALLED TO BE A PROPHET (1:4-10)

Jeremiah's call came in 626 B. C. He declares a personal and direct encounter with the Lord: "The word of the Lord came unto me." From before his birth he was chosen by the Lord and ordained or appointed to be a prophet to the nations. The thought overwhelmed him. He felt his inadequacy, his lack of experience and influence: "I cannot speak: for I am a child." The response of the Lord, however, brought both reassurance and dismay. First, the Lord assured Jeremiah that he would be made equal to his mission. Jeremiah's prophetic role and the divine wisdom and strength needed for that mission were symbolized by the Lord's touching his mouth and then adding that he had put his words in the mouth of Jeremiah. Second, there was a staggering responsibility related to nations and kingdoms: His prophetic word would root out and pull down, destroy and overthrow, but it would also build and plant. Jeremiah would

declare irrevocable judgment, but he would also declare God's certain control in history by which he would carry forward his purpose for his covenant people.

HIS LIFE ON THE LINE (26:12-15)

Chapter 26 is largely parallel with chapter 7, a ringing indictment of the people for unacceptable worship. They were willing to steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, burn incense to Baal, and go after other gods (Jer. 7:8). Jeremiah warned the people that God would no longer tolerate their waywardness and wickedness. He would destroy the Temple, as Shiloh had been destroyed previously, and he would make the city of Jerusalem a curse before the nations. Jeremiah's sermon so angered the priests and prophets and all the people that they wanted to kill him. Actually, Jeremiah was arrested and brought before the princes for trial. He challenged his accusers and the princes and the people to repent of their wickedness and obey the Lord that the city might be delivered from destruction. He warned them that if

Providence Reports

Progress Upsurge

Under the leadership of the pastor, Dr. Jerry Oswalt, Providence Church near Hattiesburg has seen a remarkable spiritual upsurge during the month of October. Five were baptized and fourteen received by letter.

Also, during October the church called Danny Swindle as assistant pastor and Conrad Howell as minister of music and youth activities.

The pastorium was recently completely renovated, inside and out, including central heat and air conditioning. On October 29 the pastor and Mrs. Oswalt invited all members to enjoy open house with them.

A 40-ft. x 80-ft. new building is now under construction, to be completed by the end of the year. The building will have central heat and air and will be used for all special activities, especially for the youth.

they should put him to death they would bring his blood upon the city and its inhabitants and even greater condemnation upon themselves through the judgment of the Lord. Jeremiah's lot became harder and harder. The people stubbornly refused to hear and continued to cry out for the prophet's life.

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Devotional

What God Has Joined

By B. F. Smith, professor emeritus, William Carey College
What therefore God hath joined, let not man put assunder (Matthew 19:6).



On the pillow covers in the O. Henry home in Austin, Texas are embroidered these words: "I slept and dreamed that life was beauty; I waked and found that life was duty." The poet quoted had learned that some things just naturally go together. Our text suggests husbands and wives, for Jesus was speaking of marriage. But this is only one application of a most meaningful concept.

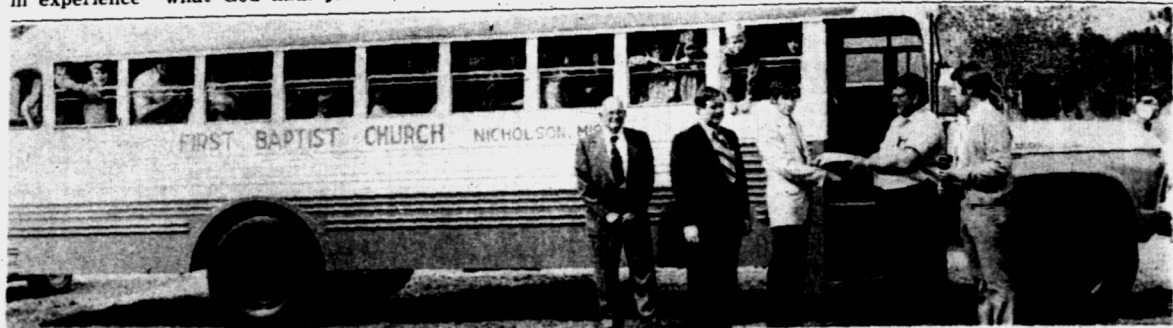
The Psalmist mentions two of many such divine pairings: "Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other" (85:10). Because God "knoweth our frame; . . . that we are dust (Psalm 103:14), he shows mercy to us. If world statesmen knew that peace can rest securely only on righteousness, would not the goal they claim to pursue be less elusive? Jesus wept over a Jerusalem that had forgotten "the things that belong to thy peace" (Luke 19:42).

Among other values divinely joined are privilege and responsibility. "For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required" (Luke 12:48). A thoughtless person may boast of some real or imagined advantage he was by reason of intelligence, religion, race, or inheritance. Such advantage, if real, means that God will require him to carry a heavier share of life's burdens than his disadvantaged brother.

Faith and works go together, for "Faith without works is dead" (James 2:20). So do sin and death. "The wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23), and only as we let Christ forgive the one can we escape the other. Also required are confession and forgiveness. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us . . . and to cleanse us" (1 John 1:9). Neither can we separate service and true greatness. "Whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant" (Matthew 20:27).

We mention one other set of heaven's partners: faith, or faithfulness, and victory. These three Scriptures support this theme: Matthew 10:22, Revelation 2:10, and 1 John 5:4. "He that endureth (the word means 'remain under') to the end shall be saved." "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Jesus sent this promise to the church at Smyrna, but is it not for all who will claim it? Finally, "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

We can score in life's game to the extent that we do not try to separate in experience "what God hath joined" in his inspired book.



First, Nicholson, Has Acquired A Smiling "New Member"

The newest member of Nicholson, First Church has a big red and white smile, and it should keep smiling for many miles. It's a bus. A hard earned bus, presented to the church by the youth following a two months fund raising drive. The vehicle was purchased for the church by mowing grass, raking yards, washing cars, and anything else that anyone would hire the youth to do. Good-willed adult members chipped in more than \$1000 toward

the purchase price during a church auction the latter part of October. To be used for all church activities, the bus title was presented to Bus Captain Joe Seal by chairman of the youth committee, Terry Frierson. Pastor Jerry W. Stevens reports that the church has received forty-four additions to the church since the middle of August. Doyle Cooper is director of Music and Youth.

Dr. Grant To Speak, Warren "M Night"

Plans are developing for M-Night program at First Church, Vicksburg 7 p.m. on December 4. Dr. David Grant, pastor, Broadmoor Church Jackson, and president, Miss. Baptist Convention, will be guest speaker.

The theme this year is "Train to Share His Word". Suggested goal for Warren County is 75% of last year's average Training Union attendance. This will give a goal of 700 in attendance this year.

The church with the highest attendance and highest percentage of enrollment present will receive recognition, according to W. C. Blanton, superintendent of missions.

Friendship To Hear Dr. John L. Taylor

To begin the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, Dr. John Lee Taylor, pastor of First Church, McComb, and a member of the Foreign Mission Board, will speak at the evening worship hour on December 3 at Friendship Church, McComb.

The Baptist Women will have charge of the Mid-Week Prayer Service on December 6. A goal of \$1000 has been set for the Lottie Moore Christmas Offering. Rev. H. Glen Schilling is pastor.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica — During the recent nationwide observation of Bible Week, young people of University Baptist Church here sold 300 New Testaments at the doors of the nearby Catholic cathedral. The national Baptist young people's choir sang in San Jose's Central Park.



Johnston Station Church near Summit has completed a new \$25,000 pastor's home this year. It is pictured above beside the church's beautiful sanctuary and education building. (Photo by H. D. Stockton, Jr.)

Pastor Says Success Lies In Prayer Life Of The Church

By Eddie King, Pastor, Johnston Station Church

(Note: Johnston Station Church, Route 4, Summit, has this year completed a new pastor's home. The pastor writes here of the church's unusual record of growth.)

First let me give a little background of the work here which I think would be of interest to any small church in a small community with seeming limited possibilities. Johnston Station is one of the small churches in Pike County. When my family and I came here seven years ago, they had been without a pastor for a number of weeks and the enrollment in all phases of the church work was quite low. The only direction, to go was up, and this we feel we have done in these seven years. Sunday school was in the forties, Church Training, was a quite low; very few attended mid-week services; and there was no music program. Of course, all of this reflected in the financial status of the church, which was extremely low. The sanctuary had been torn away, but there was a very small frame pastor's home and a nice block educational building.

For a man who had been minister of music - education at a church the size of East McComb Church, this looked like a bleak outlook for growth. The people here, though, had a will to work and a willingness to follow. Now, seven years later, we realize what the Lord can do in a situation such as this. During this time, we have had 167 additions to the church; our finances have more than tripl-

ed; we have exceptional Sunday school, Church Training, music and recreational programs; and we are still growing.

Billy E. Stensén, our Sunday School Superintendent, is one of the finest. Last year the Sunday school had the best year of its history. In October, we had more than an average of ninety, this also being a first in the Sunday school's history. Twenty-three percent of our Sunday school enrollment had perfect attendance.

Church Training has experienced the same type of growth. T. G. Cobb is director of this program, which runs an average of about seventy.

Our music program is probably one of the best in the state, for a church its size. We have three outstanding choirs. In all of our choirs, the number of male voices outnumber the female voices. Our men's choir and girls' trio have sung for the State Evangelistic Conference.

Pictured above is our beautiful sanctuary, educational building and pastor's home. Our pastor's home was recently completed at the cost of approximately \$25,000. We have been in the new pastor's home less than a year, and our total indebtedness is now only approximately \$12,000. The church is now doing more in the fields of missions than it has ever done, not only in the amount, but in proportion to its receipts.

If I had to sum up the underlying success of the work here, I would have to say it was in the prayer life of the church. We seldom have less than sixty for prayer meeting on Wed-

First, Sumner To Celebrate Centennial

First Church, Sumner, is planning a centennial celebration for December 3.

The morning service will begin at 11 with Dr. H. R. Herrington of Rayville, La. as the featured speaker. A reception honoring former pastors will be held from 2 - 4 p.m. The evening service will begin at 5 p.m., with Rev. Rolfe W. Dorsey of Greenville as the featured speaker.

All members are urged to be present, and all former members and former pastors are invited to attend, according to the pastor, Rev. Charles M. Bagwell.

Off The Record

Theater usher: "Is there a Mr. and Mrs. Perkins in the house? Your babysitter wants to know where you keep the fire extinguisher."

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Grocer: "Yes, Madam."

Customer: "Did you say it was imported or deported from Switzerland?"

A boy who was home from college was telling his father a little about the wonders of science. "Why," he said, "any good astronomer can tell us almost exactly where any star in the heavens will be at midnight." "That may be," replied the experienced dad, "but I'll bet he can't tell where his teenage son is at that hour."

Tuesday night, and we go as high as ninety. The rotating system of deacons has been installed. We also have an outstanding recreational program, summer and winter, under the direction of Johnny Williams, one of our young men.

Animated Scenes At McRae's Depict Story Of Christmas

By PATRICE EDWARDS
Clarion-Ledger Staff Writer

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"Just the same," chided Noah's wife, "I'd feel safer if those termites were locked up in a metal box."

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Attention, Music Directors

Final Announcement About "Celebrate Life" At Youth Convention On December 28

Several hundred youth choir members are already committed to sing in the musical, "Celebrate Life" on Thursday, December 28, City Auditorium, Jackson. The performance is at 9:00 p.m., but the mass choir rehearsal is at 4:30 p.m. The musical will be sung from memory. "Celebrate Life" is one of the most popular musicals Broadman Press has ever produced.

There is still space for two or three more youth choirs to sing "Celebrate Life" with the mass choir on Thursday night. The deadline to register a choir is Monday, December 11. Please phone or write Larry Black, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Jackson (music coordinator for the convention), or the Church Music Department, Baptist Building, P. O. Box 530, Jackson. The music must be memorized.

Outreach Singing Groups, Youth Convention

Folk Singing Groups desiring to participate in the outreach phase of the Youth Convention, December 28-29, Jackson, should send a picture and tape of a selection to Larry Black, First Baptist Church, Jackson, by December 11. Groups will be notified immediately of acceptance or rejection. Ten Folk Groups will participate in outreach singing. At this writing several more groups are needed for consideration.

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